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SENATE RESOLUTION 122
By Wilder

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Annie and Jerry Kemp on the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary.

WHEREAS, this General Assembly takes great pleasure in paying tribute to those successful marriages that have stood the test of time to serve as exemplars for present and future generations; and

WHEREAS, on December 26, 1951, Annie and Jerry Kemp were joined in holy matrimony, and since that fateful day this outstanding couple has faced the world as one, basking in the glow of their love for each other during both life's joys and sorrows; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Kemp were highly respected citizens of Carroll and Madison Counties for many years; they moved to Nashville in 1983, where they are active in their church and the community; and

WHEREAS, the Kems met and began dating while they were students at Trezvant High School in Carroll County, and were married prior to their graduation in 1952; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kemp began working with the Tennessee Highway Patrol in 1961 and retired as a Lieutenant Colonel in 1995; throughout his sterling career with the Highway Patrol

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Jerry garnered the universal respect and admiration of his superiors, his peers and the citizens of this state for the dedication with which he carried out his duties; and

WHEREAS, Annie has faithfully attended to the demands of raising a family and is most appreciative of the love and support she shares with her companion of fifty years; and

WHEREAS, the Kemps are most thankful for the love and companionship they share with their daughter, Melanie, and her husband Dave Cooley; and their son Christopher; and

WHEREAS, they are the proud and devoted grandparents of two grandchildren, Brady Rich and Brooks Nicole; and

WHEREAS, Annie and Jerry evince their devout religious faith as members of the Agape Fellowship Church in Nashville; and

WHEREAS, for fifty years this blessed union has grown and prospered as an expression of time-honored family values and selfless love; and

WHEREAS, marriages such as the Kemps' are truly the rock-solid foundation upon which our society is built and a beacon of sanity and continuity in these turbulent times; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby honor and congratulate Jerry and Annie Kemp on the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary and extend to them our best wishes for much continued happiness in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.